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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
FOR WEEK ENDING 10-Jul-04 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 07/10/04	PREVIOUS WEEK 07/03/04
BRO-FRY	154,812	166,246
LT HENS	1,448	1,523
HVY HENS	1,216	1,448

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

WEEK ENDING 03-Jul-04 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	65	0	65
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	253	0	253
SAME WEEK YR AGO	219	0	219
TO-DATE/2004	6,147	72	6,219
TO-DATE/2003	6,631	96	6,727

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION  
TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,517	1,354	2,871
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	1,709	1,449	3,158
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,238	1,179	2,417
TO-DATE/2004	40,844	33,838	74,682
TO-DATE/2003	49,339	35,460	84,799

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
WEEK ENDING 03-Jul-04 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	160,885	1,452	1,354	2,806
AVG WT	5.09	3.42	7.73	5.50
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS				
LAST WEEK	162,023	1,456	1,449	2,905
SAME WK YR AGO	143,589	1,019	1,179	2,198
AVG WT	5.24	3.41	7.78	5.03
TO-DATE/2004	4,032,325	34,697	33,766	68,463
TO-DATE/2003	3,966,019	42,708	35,364	78,072

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 164.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 162.8 million head or 1.4 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 26-June-04

(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
-----THOUSANDS-----		

Head	25,441	22,809	53m405
Avg Weight	3.76	4.74	6.37
% of total /1	25%	22%	53%
Last week	26,658	21,105	46,488
Avg Weight	3.81	4.78	6.36
% of total /1	28%	22%	49%
Same week, yr ago /2	23,020	19,298	54,183
Avg Weight	3.80	4.78	6.05
% of total /1	24%	20%	56%
To date/2004	663,505	541,587	1,131,394
To date/2003	619,281	580,066	1,163,367

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 03-Jul-04  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,809	2,728	44	5	4,586
AVG WT	15.94	36.27	24.75	26.44	28.13
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS					
LAST WEEK	1,729	2,743	46	2	4,520
SAME WK YR AGO	1,639	2,256	47	2	3,944
AVG WT	16.06	35.91	24.01	44.56	27.52
TO-DATE/2004	44,604	65,387	1,163	173	111,327
TO-DATE/2003	47,510	70,795	1,624	373	120,302

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.  
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